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**IN RE APPLICATION OF
JEFFREY MILLER, ET AL
APPLICATION NO: 09/975,813
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**ART UNIT: 1652
EXAMINER: FRONDA, CHRISTIAN L**

**FOR: ASSAYS AND PEPTIDE SUBSTRATE FOR DETERMINING
AGGRECAN DEGRADING METALLO PROTEASE ACTIVITY**

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Amendment After Final Rejection Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This amendment under Rule 116 is in response to the Office Action mailed August 9, 2006. A response during the shortened statutory period is due November 9, 2006. Accompanied herewith is a Notice of Appeal. Applicants submit that this response is timely filed and that no additional fees are necessary.

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